

# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Jan. 14, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

January 14, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter.—6.

Absent—Coms. Dail, Shotwell.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Sherm's Restaurant relative to the price of meals served at the City Jail and asking an increase from 18 cents to 22 cents.

By Com. Milks—

That the increase in price of meals for prisoners be granted.

Carried.

A communication was received from the F. N. Arbaugh Co. thanking the Fire Department for assistance given when their water tank sprung a leak such assistance saving them from a probable heavy loss. Received and placed on file.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The report of Chief Delfs on activities and expenditures for the month of December, 1935, was received and placed on file.

The Annual Operating Report of the Fire Department for the year 1935 was received and placed on file.

The report of Chief Seymour on financial status, automobile report, expenditures and also consolidated report for the month of December, 1935, was received and placed on file.

The Consolidated Report of the Police Department for the year 1935 was received and placed on file.

Chief Seymour reported that the sum of \$20.00 had been received from the Bank of Lansing and \$10.00 from the Lansing National Bank for the police benefit fund.

By Com. Reutter—

That the checks be placed to the credit of the Police Benefit Fund.

Carried.

January 8, 1936.

Honorable Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men & Discipline met on December 13th, and after interviewing a number of applicants appointed Charles Straigier as a probationary patrolman, to take effect December 16th.

M. H. MILKS,

A. P. GROSS,

Committee on Men & Discipline.

By Com. Milks—

That the recommendation of the Committee be approved.

Carried.

January 8, 1936.

Hoard Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men & Discipline



acting on the suggestion of Chief Seymour, recommend that a physician be employed to make a physical examination of all future members of the departments at the time of their appointments.

It is understood that Doctor Lamoine Snyder will make such an examination on a fee basis of three dollars for each examination.

We recommend that Doctor Snyder be employed for such examinations.

M. H. MILKS,  
A. P. GROSS,  
Committee on Men & Discipline.

By Com. Hammond—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and Dr. Lamoine Snyder be engaged as examiner of all future members of the Police and Fire Departments.  
Carried.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That the Committee on Property and Purchasing investigate the quality and quantity of food served to inmates of the city jail.  
Carried.

By Com. Carter—

That the communication from Frank Sochia be referred back to the City Council with a statement that the Board does not consider that it is liable for injuries to said Frank Sochia.  
Carried.

By Com. Reutter—

That the City Clerk and Chief of the Fire Department write to the City Council relative to the Board being allowed to retain the money paid by surrounding townships, cities and villages for services of the Lansing Fire Dept. for the Fire Department Fund.  
Carried.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 0 nays.

Claimant	Amount
City Comptroller .....	\$204.10

Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	40.08
Mich. Bell Telephone Co. ....	36.45
Bliley Electric Co. ....	29.25
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc. ....	23.60
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	21.58
A. W. Handy Co. ....	18.63
Whitmore Auto Electric Co. ....	13.03
DeVore & Dent .....	11.09
Alfred Seymour—Petty Cash .....	10.49
National Safety Council .....	10.00
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	6.70
Western Auto Supply Co. ....	5.93
Linn Camera Shop .....	5.40
Western Union Co. ....	4.65
Offenhauer Radio Service .....	4.63
Budd's Music House .....	3.64
Paramount News Service .....	2.25
Dail Steel Products .....	1.50
Capitol Radiator Repair .....	1.25
Service Department .....	.55

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 0 nays.

Claimant	Amount
The Gamewell Co. ....	1219.97
The Gamewell Co. ....	391.88
The Gamewell Co. ....	391.88
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light .....	249.44
E. Lenick & Co. ....	210.40
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. ....	175.21
Mich. Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.01
Offenhauer Radio Service .....	70.00
Lansing Supply Co. ....	49.93
Consumers Power Co. ....	48.25
Vaughan Battery Service .....	34.30
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	31.57
Bi-Lateral Fire Co. ....	22.50
Addison Sponge Co., Inc. ....	20.03
Hugo R. Delfs .....	11.36
Fuller Brush Co. ....	9.60
DuBois & Hughes .....	8.00
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	7.92
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	7.85
T. M. Gillespie .....	6.60
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	6.54
Elliott Grocer Co. ....	5.39
Consolidated Freight Co. ....	5.78
Linn Camera Shop .....	4.70
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light .....	5.00
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc. ....	2.71
VanDervoort Hdwe. Co. ....	4.63
Mill Supplies Corporation .....	2.39
The Gamewell Co. ....	2.35
Lansing Co. ....	2.00

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
January 14, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Feb. 11, 1936

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 11, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

### ROLL CALL

Present. Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Ald. L. J. Smith, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the City Council, requesting that the 1936-37 budgets be prepared by March 10th.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means of the Board.

January 23, 1936.

Chief Alfred Seymour  
and Board of Police and  
Fire Commissioners,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

We are enclosing a copy of our recommendations to the City Council. In addition we are asking that you place an officer at the intersection of Capitol Avenue and Michigan Avenue to direct the pedestrian as well as the vehicular traffic. Further, we suggest that this officer be on duty at least during the following hours, from 7:45 A. M. to 8:30 A. M.; 11:45 A. M. to 1:15 P. M.; and from 4:45 until 6:00 P. M.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE A. BARKER,  
Secretary, Traffic Commission.

The communication and recommendations from the Traffic Commission were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means of the Board with the recommendation that the recommendations of the Traffic Commission be incorporated in the budget for 1936-37.

### REPORTS

The report of Chief Delfs on activities and finances of the Fire Department for the month of January, 1936, was received and placed on file.

The Chief of Police filed a report on the department's Financial Status, Automobiles and Consolidated Monthly Report for January, 1936.

A financial statement of the Firemen's Benefit Fund was received and placed on file.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Carter—

That the Ways and Means Committee of the Board incorporate in the proposed budget a restoration of salary cuts which have been in effect.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—8.

Nays—0.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Claimant	Amount
City Comptroller .....	\$178.50
A. W. Handy .....	107.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	33.35
Norge Sales and Service .....	33.50
Roberts Tire & Sales Co. ....	23.60
National Refining Co. ....	19.60
Robinson Auto Supply Co. ....	16.74
Carrier-Stephens Company .....	8.00



Scientific Brake Service .....	7.37
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co. ....	6.45
Budd's Music House .....	4.60
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	4.04
Lansing Auto Electric Company .....	3.36
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	2.95
Paramount News Service .....	2.43

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Board of Water & Elec. Lt. Com. \$256.24	
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.01
The Seagraves Corporation .....	60.00
Friedland Iron & Metal Co. ....	56.00
Consumers Power Company .....	55.80
The Gamewell Company .....	55.56
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	37.63
Michigan School Service .....	25.90
Board of Water and Elec. Light.....	25.62
The Robinson Distributing Corp. ....	14.90
T. M. Gillespie .....	10.20
Hugo R. Delfs .....	9.04
Paul Automotive Parts .....	8.38
Carrier-Stephens Company .....	7.40

Air Reduction Sales .....	6.67
DeVore and Dent .....	6.00
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	5.63
Gregory, Mayer & Thom .....	5.34
VanDervoort Hardware .....	4.92
Roberts Tire Sales .....	4.90
Duplex Truck Company .....	4.40
The Rikerd Lumber Co. ....	3.68
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	3.60
Lansing Supply Co. ....	3.44
General Distributing Company .....	3.36
Michigan Brass and Electric Co. ....	3.15
Lansing Oldsmobile Service .....	2.75
Capitol Radiator Repair .....	2.50
Lansing Oldsmobile Service .....	2.47
Paul Automotive Parts .....	2.40
Vaughan Battery Service .....	2.25
Capitol Radiator Repair .....	2.00
Capitol Electric Supply .....	1.86
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	1.81

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
February 11, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings March 11, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,  
March 11, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Ald. L. J. Smith, Chairman of the Utilities Committee of the City Council, thanking the firemen and officers of the department for assistance in routing and distribution of booklets covering the natural gas situation.

Received and placed on file.

A communication was received from Mayor Templeton commending the policemen and firemen who assisted in recovering the body of a boy who was drowned in the river.

Received and placed on file.

A communication was received from J. W. Planck, City Attorney, relative to the matter of damages to No. 1 Fire Truck which was damaged in a collision.

Received and placed on file.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The Financial Report, Automobile Report and Consolidated Monthly Report of the Police Department was received and placed on file.

A report of the activities and financial condition of funds of the Fire Department were received and placed on file.

The Chief of Police, Alfred Seymour, filed a report on Probationary Patrolman Chas. Stragier, with accompanying reports of Capt. O'Brien, Lt. Moore, Lt. Fenby, Lt. Earley and Dr. L. M. Snyder, all of which were favorable.

By Com. Reutter—

That the appointment of Chas. Stragier as patrolman be confirmed.  
Carried.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Milks—

That a communication be sent to the City Council, attached to the data pertaining to the accident and damaging of No. 1 Fire Truck, for consideration and action by them, and further that this Board is of the opinion that the City is entitled to recover for these damages.

Carried.

### BUDGET

The Council took up consideration of the Budgets of the Police and Fire Departments as submitted by the Committee on Ways and Means of the Board. The Budget of the Police Department was considered by items.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Police Budget, amounting to \$174,906.98, be approved.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.  
Nays—Com. Dail.—1.

The Fire Department Budget was considered by items and discussed.

Com. Milks recommended that certain reductions be made in several salaries from the amounts as proposed in the Budget.



By Com. Milks—

That the recommendations in Fire Department salaries be incorporated in the Budget.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Dail, Gross, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—5.

Nays—Coms. Carter, Hammond, Harris.—8.

By Com. Milks—

That the Fire Department Budget, as amended, amounting to \$264,894.94, be approved.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.

Nays—Com. Dail.—1.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Claimant	Amount
City Comptroller .....	\$219.90
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	29.80
A. W. Handy Company .....	28.00
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc. ....	23.60
Siebert's Printing Service .....	22.75
Alfred Seymour .....	15.10
Carrier-Stephens Company .....	8.00
Weissinger Paper Co. ....	7.10
Scientific Brake Service, Inc. ....	5.80
Lansing Laundry Company .....	5.73
Western Union Company .....	4.80

Dr. L. M. Snyder .....	3.00
Vaughan Battery Service .....	3.00
Paul Automotive Parts & Service .....	2.55
Paramount News Service .....	2.25
Wolverine Typewriter Company .....	2.10
Western Auto Supply Co. ....	2.06
Kraft Drug Store .....	.85

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm. ....	306.59
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. ....	180.44
The Gamewell Company .....	122.11
Michigan Bell Telephone Company .....	106.01
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Com. ....	58.93
Consumers Power Company .....	53.30
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	28.67
Fuller Brush Company .....	12.25
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	8.90
T. M. Gillespie .....	8.36
Springsteen & Morley .....	7.85
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	6.50
The Rikerd Lumber Co. ....	6.38
John F. Crotty Book Shop .....	5.78
Hugo R. Delfs .....	5.54
T. M. Gillespie .....	4.68
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc. ....	4.65
Michigan Brass & Electric Co. ....	4.09
Hager Warehouse & Lbr. Co. ....	2.29
Lansing Supply Company .....	1.76
The Rikerd Lumber Company .....	1.41
Rikerd Lumber Company .....	.98
The Gamewell Company .....	.78

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
March 10, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings April 13, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,  
April 13, 1936.

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners met in regular session and was called to order by the Vice-President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Com. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—6.

Absent—Com. Harris, Dail.—2.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Samuel Fisher of the Fire Department requested a leave of absence for three months in order to visit his mother in Ireland.

By Com. Gross—

That a leave of absence, without pay, for three months be granted to Samuel Fisher.  
Carried.

A communication was received from David S. Davis in which he expressed his appreciation for the efforts of Capt. Hugh Fisher, Robert Foster and Clinton Ross in using the inhalator and saving the life of his infant daughter. The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the communication on official stationery.

A communication was received from the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Company.

The resignation of Earl Kinsman was received, accompanied by a letter from Chief Seymour stating that he had a splendid record and that he regretted his resignation.

By Com. Gross—

That the resignation be accepted and the Secretary instructed to write Mr. Kins-

man a letter of appreciation for his fine service in the Police Department.

Carried.

The resignation of Patrolman George Morris was received and was accompanied by a report from Chief Seymour, together with a recommendation that the resignation be not accepted but that Patrolman Morris be dismissed.

By Com. Reutter—

That Patrolman Morris be dismissed from the service.

Carried.

Waldorf Pletcher, George J. Viane and William Bishop were appointed patrolmen for the usual probationary term, upon recommendation of the Committee on Men and Discipline.

Application for appointment on the Police Force was received from Leo D. King and referred to the Chief of Police.

### REPORTS

The report of the Chief of the Fire Department relative to activities of his department was received and placed on file.

The Chief of Police filed reports on Police finances, automobiles, and consolidated monthly reports, which were received and placed on file.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Gross—

That the Committee on Purchasing and Property be given authority to purchase anything the departments need for the remainder of the fiscal year and that the Chief of the Fire Department set a date for the committee to meet.

Carried.



By Com. Hammond—

That the form of application as submitted for appointment as fireman be approved and adopted as official application blanks for both the Police and Fire Departments.

Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That after the appointment of a man to either department he be examined by the examining physician before he goes to work, in order to avoid any liability on the part of the city that might arise from his not being physically equipped for his position.

Carried.

By Com—

That the President and Clerk of this Board be authorized to sign an acceptance of the proposition of the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Co. for the installing of a central office fire alarm system.

Carried. Yeas 6; Nays 0.

#### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 2 nays.

Claimant	Amount
City Comptroller .....	\$189.00
A. W. Handy Company .....	92.86
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	33.10
Siebert's Printing Service .....	30.50
Alfred Seymour .....	29.37
National Refining Co. ....	22.95
Lansing Directory Publishers .....	12.00
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	11.10
Scientific Brake Service .....	9.95
Weissinger Paper Company .....	9.50
Western Union Company .....	9.31
Wolverine Insurance Co. ....	8.00

Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	7.65
Lansing Laundry Company .....	5.41
Linn Camera Shop .....	5.20
Goodyear Service .....	3.50
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	3.38
Paramount News Service .....	2.34
Postal Telegraph Co. ....	1.59
Vaughan Battery Service .....	1.45

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 2 nays.

City Comptroller .....	\$599.98
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm. ....	205.40
Michigan Telephone Company .....	106.01
Robinson Distributing Corp. ....	45.70
Consumers Power Company .....	43.68
J. W. Knapp Company .....	43.08
White Star Refining Company .....	36.02
Peez Oil Corporation .....	35.57
Lansing Laundry Company .....	30.47
The Seagrave Corporation .....	28.50
Scientific Brake Service .....	24.69
Addison Sponge Company .....	21.50
City Engineering Department .....	16.80
Elliott Grocer Company .....	16.37
Reo Sales Corporation .....	15.60
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	12.84
Hugo R. Delfs .....	11.47
Mine Safety Appliance Company .....	10.11
Michigan Surety Co. ....	10.00
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	8.34
Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	7.99
The Robinson Distributing Co. ....	6.14
VanDervoort Hardware Company .....	5.14
B and M Siren Manufacturing Co. ....	4.86
Air Reduction Sales Co. ....	3.12
Michigan Brass & Electric Co. ....	2.94
Scientific Brake Service .....	2.30
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	1.71
General Distributing Co. ....	1.44

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
April 13, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings April 30, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,  
April 30, 1936.

The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. Harris.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.  
Absent—None.

The proceedings of the previous regular session were approved as corrected.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mahon, expressing appreciation for the assistance given by Capt. Alber and Fireman Robert Foster in saving their infant son's life on April 19, 1936, by using the inhalator.

The communication was received and placed on file.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee on Property and Purchasing reported that a proposal had been made by the Olds Motor Works to sell the department a Fire Chief's eight cylinder car at a price of \$702.21 and turn in of old car used by Asst. Fire Chief. The Committee recommended that a six cylinder car be purchased instead of an eight cylinder.

By Com. Dail—

That the Oldsmobile to be used as Fire Chief's car be purchased.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.  
Nays—None.

The Committee on Property and Purchasing reported a proposal from Reo Motor Car Co. for a car to be used as a "pick-up" car by the Fire Department at a price of \$570.80 and the old "pick-up" car, and recommended the purchase of this car at the price named.

By Com. Dail—

The purchase of a Reo car as recommended by the Committee be approved.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.  
Nays—None.

### APPLICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

The Committee on Men and Discipline recommended that Cecil George Hethorn and Ernest Kopietz be appointed firemen on the usual six months' probation, if they successfully pass the physical examination given by the department physician.

By Com. Milks—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and the appointments made as recommended.

Carried.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

H. R. Delfs, Chief of the Fire Department, filed a Financial Report for the fiscal year which was received and placed on file. He also filed a report of finances for the month of April, 1936.

The Chief of Police filed a report of finances for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1936, and a Financial Report for the month of April, 1936, both of which were received and placed on file.

Com. Harris offered the sum of \$1.00 which he received for waiving rights to photo taken with new car given by Old



Motor Works to the Police Dept., which was placed to credit of Police Benefit Fund.

By Com. Dail—

That Chief Delfs be given leave of absence to attend a convention of the Great Lakes Fire Chiefs Association, of which he is Vice-President, on May 19, 20 and 21, at his own expense.

Carried.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

White Star Refining Company .....	\$180.44
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.01
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Comm. ....	128.90
Consumers Power Company .....	35.00
Consumers Power Company .....	54.70
Lansing Laundry Company .....	34.27
William L. Hermes Printing Co. ....	23.00
D and C Stores, Inc. ....	21.11
Capital Trimming & Painting Co. ....	19.75
Carrier-Stephens Company .....	10.40
John M. Randall .....	8.30
Edington Rug Company .....	7.94
Hugo R. Delfs .....	7.45
Central Welding Co. ....	7.42
Reo Sales Corporation .....	7.39
VanDervoort Hardware Company ....	6.12
Lansing Brass & Aluminum Foundry .....	5.30
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	4.54
Lansing Oldsmobile Company .....	3.72
Capitol City Wrecking Company ....	2.84

Lansing Supply Company .....	1.46
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co. ....	1.15
John F. Crotty Book Store .....	1.13
Paul Automotive Parts Company .....	.59
Department of Public Works .....	63.99

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Offenhauer Radio Service .....	337.50
City Comptroller .....	193.50
Gamewell Company .....	170.86
City Comptroller .....	134.25
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware Co. ....	68.15
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co. ....	58.93
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	39.40
Alfred Seymour, Petty Cash .....	38.25
Linn Camera Shop .....	24.61
Vaughan Battery Service .....	19.57
Goodyear Service, Inc. ....	17.60
General Distributing Corp. ....	16.57
Schaberg-Dietrich Hardware Co. ....	13.05
Western Auto Supply Co. ....	11.74
Dr. L. M. Snyder .....	9.00
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	5.64
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	5.49
Emery-Pratt Company .....	5.29
Barker-Fowler Electric Co. ....	3.60
Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	2.90
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	2.26
Hacker-Lambertson Agency .....	2.83
N. Snellenburg & Company .....	2.25

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings May 12, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

May 12, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. D. D. Harris.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.

Absent—Com. Dail.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

By Com. Hammond—

That Com. Milks be elected President of this Board for the ensuing year.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.

Nays—None.

By Com. Reutter—

That, Com. Gross be elected Vice-President of this Board for the ensuing year.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.

Nays—None.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Benjamin F. Watson, expressing his appreciation for the services of the Fire Department in responding to a call for assistance on May 2nd, when his car caught fire at the corner of Kalamazoo and Larch Streets.

The communication was placed on file.

### APPLICATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Application for appointment as policeman was received from Homer E. Purchis, and referred to the Chief of Police.

The Committee on Men and Discipline recommended that Fireman Clyde Bircham be promoted to the rank of chauffeur, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Forrest Perry.

By Com. Milks—

That the report of the committee be adopted and Clyde Bircham promoted to the rank of chauffeur.

Carried.

May 12, 1936.

Honorable Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Men and Discipline met on May 8th for the purpose of interviewing applicants for the Police Department.

After interviewing several applicants we recommend the appointment of the following three men: Edmund Kowalski, Lowden Henderson and Ernest Messick.

Respectfully submitted,

M. H. MILKS,

A. P. GROSS,

Committee on Men and Discipline

By Com. Milks—

That the report of the Committee be adopted and that Edmund Kowalski, Lowden Henderson and Ernest Messick be appointed police officers.

Carried.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Seymour filed a Consolidated Monthly Report and Auto Report for the



month of April, 1936, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed an Operating Report of the Fire Department for the month of April, 1936, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Seymour recommended that the appointment of an additional sergeant be held in abeyance during the summer months.

By Com. Reutter—

That the Board concur in the recommendation of Chief Seymour.

Carried.

May 7, 1936.

Honorable Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,

Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

On May 6th your Committee on Men and Discipline heard charges against Patrolman John Kennedy, charged with not properly patrolling his beat. The findings of the Committee were "Charges not Sustained."

Respectfully submitted,

M. H. MILKS,

A. P. GROSS,

Committee on Men and Discipline.

By Com. Milks—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Honorable Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,

Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee to whom was referred the matter of furloughs and leave days for members of the Police Department, wish to report as follows:

After investigation we find that the present system was adopted for the convenience and accommodation of the members of the department in order that as many as possible would be allowed to take their vacations during the summer months.

Having in mind the maintaining of the efficiency of the department, this met with the approval of the majority of the members of the Police Department, and inasmuch as there has been no complaint made to this Board by any member of the Department, in fact, the only complaint ever received came from outsiders having no connection with the Police Department in any way.

In view of these facts, we recommend that the present system be continued, and in case there is any complaint from the majority of the members of the Police Department, it will be given further consideration by your Committee.

We recommend the adoption of the report.

Respectfully submitted,

M. H. MILKS,

A. P. GROSS,

Committee on Men and Discipline.

By Com. Shotwell—

That the report of the Committee be adopted.

Carried.

Claims of Oscar C. Lenz for \$523.70 and Allen Printing Co. for \$24.75 were allowed.

By Com. Carter—

That the salaries of the second Assistant Chief and of the Supt. of Fire Alarm Telegraph be increased to restore previous cuts in pay as had been done in case of other employes of the department.

By Com. Gross—

That the resolution lie on the table.

Carried.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY

City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings May 27, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

May 27, 1936.

The Board met in special session and was called to order by the President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.  
Absent—Com. Carter.—1.

The meeting was called for the purpose of considering bids for five cars for the Police Department.

The Committee on Property and Purchasing reported that the following bids had been received:

A. W. Handy for five Ford Sedans—\$1600 with the five old cars turned in.

Olds Motor Works for five Oldsmobile Sedans—\$1850 with five old cars turned in.

Reo Motor Car Co. for five Reo Sedans—\$1899 with five old cars turned in.

The committee recommended the purchase of two Reo cars and three Oldsmobiles, at the prices bid.

By Com. Dail—

That the Board purchase two Reo Sedans at \$380 each and three Oldsmobile Sedans at \$380 each with old cars turned in as provided in specifications.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.  
Nays—None.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings June 9, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,  
June 9, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Milks.—5.

Absent—Coms. Hammond, Reutter, Shotwell.—3.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Clerk accompanied by a resolution which was adopted by the City Council on May 18, 1936, and which requested the Board to hold a secret ballot in the Police Department on the subject of leave days.

The communication was referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline.

### REPORTS

The Chief of Police filed a financial report, an automobile report and a consolidated monthly report for May, 1936, which were received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed a financial report and a report of activities of his department for the month of May, 1936, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Seymour gave an oral report on the work done by men in the Police Department in apprehending men responsible for the dynamiting of the Kramer build-

ing and of the recovery of the stolen explosive.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Gross—

That Chief Delfs be authorized to attend the Convention of Fire Chiefs at Toronto, Canada, the last four days in July with the necessary expenses paid.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Milks.—5.  
Nays—None.

By Com. Harris—

That Chief Seymour be authorized to attend the meeting of Chiefs of Police in Kansas City in September.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Milks.—5.  
Nays—None.

By Com. Dail—

That the President and Clerk of Board enter into contract with the Lateral Fire Hose Co. for 3,000 feet hose.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Milks.—5.  
Nays—None.

By Com. Dail—

That the President and Clerk of Board enter into contract with the Seagrave Corporation of Columbus, Ohio, rebuilding Seagrave pumper at a cost of \$5500.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Milks.—5.  
Nays—None.

By Com. Dail—

That repairs be made to Fire Stat



No. 3 and No. 4 at an approximate cost of \$1,200.00 by the Property and Purchasing Committee.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Har-  
is, Milks.—5.  
Nays—None.

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 5 yeas; 0 nays.

W. Handy Company	\$140.06
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	40.20
Alfred Seymour	23.33
Michigan Surety Co.	22.50
Hamewell Company	47.17
M. Snyder	9.00
Western Union Company	8.19
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	7.30
Public Administration Service	6.66
Lansing Laundry Co.	6.56
Gregory, Mayer & Thom	5.20
Tramont News	4.68
Paul Automotive Parts	3.89
Odd's Music House	3.30
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	3.20
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	2.45

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 5 yeas; 0 nays.

Is Motor Works	702.31
o Sales Corporation	570.00
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	106.01
of Water and Electric Light	101.06
Consumers Power Company	52.09

Lansing Laundry	46.26
Addison Sponge Co.	29.90
F. N. Arbaugh Co.	25.92
J. C. Penny Company, Inc.	24.48
Fuller Brush Company	21.90
Lansing Supply Company	15.28
August Bucks	15.00
T. M. Gillespie	13.53
Roberts Tire Sales Co.	13.33
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	12.93
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	12.91
Capital Electric Supply Co.	12.88
Vaughan Battery Service	10.43
Hugo R. Delfs	8.89
Vaughan Battery Service	8.62
Capital Electric Supply Co.	8.45
Lansing-Company	7.90
Lansing Supply Co.	7.64
VanDervoort Hardware	7.54
Carrier-Stephens Co.	6.50
Dr. L. M. Snyder	6.00
Michigan Surety Company	5.00
American Dry Cleaners	4.14
Andridge-Gleason	3.83
Boichot Sand and Gravel Co.	3.80
Hager-Cove Lumber Co.	3.78
Allen Printing Company	3.50
Whitmore Auto Electric	3.50
Goodyear Service	2.00
White Star Refining Co.	1.42
Michigan Brass & Electric	1.32
Rikerd Lumber Company	1.18

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
June 9, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings July 14, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

July 14, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter.—6.

Absent—Coms. Dail and Shotwell.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### REPORTS

The report of Chief Delfs relative to finances and activities of various divisions of the Fire Department was received and placed on file.

The Chief of Police filed a report of financial status, Auto Report, Consolidated Monthly Report, etcetera, of the Police Department.

Chief Seymour filed a report relative to probationary officers Waldorf Fletcher, George Viane, Edmund Kowalski, William Bishop, Lowden Henderson and Ernest Messick, and recommended that they be confirmed as regular patrolmen.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Board concur in the recommendation of Chief Seymour and that the officers mentioned be and are hereby appointed patrolmen.

Carried.

Chief Seymour spoke regarding the inadequacy of the telephone system in the

Police Department, and a representative of the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. explained another system for them.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Harris—

That the telephone proposition for the Police Department be referred to the Committee on Property and Purchasing with power to act.

Adopted by the following vote: Yeas 6; Nays, 0.

By Com. Hammond—

That the men in the Traffic Squad be permitted to wear white helmets during the summer months and that the men in the Police Department be permitted to wear them, provided all wear them.

Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That the proposition of an age limit for men in the departments be referred to Committee on Men and Discipline to make a study of the subject and make recommendations to the Board within nine days.

Carried.

By Com. Carter—

That the salaries of James Brown and Wm. Redhead be paid at the prevailing rate before pay cuts went into effect, beginning June 16, 1936.

Adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Coms. Carter, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks.—6.

Nays—Com. Reutter.—1.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 yeas; 0 nays.



Olds Motor Works .....	\$1,110.00
Reo Sales Corporation .....	759.60
Michigan Bell Telephone .....	45.10
Morden Oil Company .....	19.60
Alfred Seymour .....	10.03
F. N. Arbaugh Co. ....	9.90
Wolverine Insurance Co. ....	9.39
Michigan State Police .....	8.40
Western Union Co. ....	8.35
Capitol Electric Supply .....	8.00
Lansing Laundry .....	4.86
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	3.80
Wayne Pump Co. ....	3.18
A. W. Handy Co. ....	2.50
Paramount News Service .....	2.34

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 6 nays; 0 nays.

The Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co. ....	\$3,324.00
Emanuel Starr .....	850.00
Ramsay Coal Company .....	663.48
Darling Coal & Supply Co. ....	636.30
Michigan Sheet Metal Works .....	366.00
A. R. Foster .....	360.28
Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co. ....	259.70
Roberts Tire Sales, Inc. ....	221.09
Socony-Vacuum Oil Company .....	176.30
Paul Automotive Parts .....	137.20
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.01
Robinson Distributing Co. ....	84.00
Emanuel Starr .....	79.19
Consumers Power Co. ....	49.35
Lansing Laundry .....	44.02
Board of Water & Electric Light .....	38.87
The Seagrave Corporation .....	37.29
Lansing Paint & Color Co. ....	30.44

Frank J. Starr .....	25.75
VanDervoort Hardware .....	22.68
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	20.00
The Dudley Paper Co. ....	17.15
Hugo Delfs .....	15.05
Allen Printing Co. ....	14.75
Lansing Paint and Color Co. ....	13.12
Superior Paint Co. ....	12.57
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	12.19
The Gamewell Company .....	11.76
Springsteen & Morley .....	10.48
Socony-Vacuum Oil Company .....	10.00
Lansing Supply Co. ....	9.13
Elliott Grocer Co. ....	8.97
The Robinson Distributing Co. ....	8.70
The Dunham Hardware .....	7.35
Lansing Oldsmobile .....	6.98
Duplex Truck Co. ....	6.98
Gregory, Mayer & Thom .....	4.19
Friedland Iron and Metal Co. ....	4.00
Duplex Truck Co. ....	4.40
Air Reduction Sales .....	3.12
Gregory, Mayer & Thom Co. ....	3.05
Paul Automotive Parts .....	3.03
Sanders & Newsum .....	2.69
General Distributing Co. ....	2.68
Michigan Brass & Electric .....	1.91
The Apothecary Shop .....	1.70
Capitol Radiator Repair .....	1.50
Capitol Trimming & Painting .....	1.10

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
July 14, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings August 11, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

August 11, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the Vice-President, M. Gross.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—6.

Absent—Coms. Milks, Shotwell.—2.

The minutes of the previous session were proved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

An invitation was received from the Chief of Police inviting the Board to attend the Police picnic at Pleasant Lake August 31st at 1:30 p. m.

The invitation was accepted.

### APPLICATIONS

An application for appointment as fireman was received from Robert F. Hadden referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The Chief of Police, Alfred Seymour, made a report for the month of July consisting of Financial report, Automobile report and Consolidated Monthly report, which was received and placed on file.

The Chief of the Fire Department, Hugo Delfs, filed a report for the month of July of expenses, fire alarms and other duties of his department, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs reported an accident which occurred on August 7th at 12:05 p. m. at which time Claud Finley was injured. The report was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from James Brown, Supt. of Fire Alarm Telegraph System, relative to a meeting of the Municipal Signal Association in New York City on August 1, 2 and 3, 1936.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Com. Hammond reported relative to repairs and improvements which had been made to several of the Fire Stations.

The Committee on Men and Discipline reported relative to Fireman Fred R. Green and recommended his dismissal.

By Com. Reutter—

That Fireman Fred R. Green be dismissed from the service.  
Carried.

The Committee on Men and Discipline reported that they had considered the proposition of conducting practice in marksmanship in the Police Department and that an offer had been made by the State Police to assist in the work.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Committee on Men and Discipline consider the proposition of a range for the Police Department practice and report at the next regular meeting.  
Carried.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That James Brown, Supt. of Fire Alarm Telegraph System, be allowed \$50.00 to apply on expenses for attending the meeting of Municipal Signal Association in New York.



Adopted by the following vote:  
Yeas—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Ham-  
mond, Harris, Reutter.—6.  
Nays—None.

By Com. Harris—

That Chief Delfs be authorized to select  
a man from his Department to act as one  
of the voting machine custodians.  
Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That when a member of the Police and  
Fire department shall have served ten con-  
secutive years, he shall be decorated with  
a star and thereafter an additional star  
for each five years served.  
Carried.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police  
Department were presented and allowed by  
the following vote: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays.

Claimant	Amount
Hacker-Lambertson Agency .....	\$371.44
Allen Printing Company .....	62.75
Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	54.71
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	35.15
Offenhauer Radio Service .....	11.62
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	7.29
General Distributing Corp. ....	4.86
Novo Engine Co. ....	4.50
Western Union Co. ....	4.00
Paramount News Service .....	2.43
Reo Sales Corporation .....	1.80

The following claims against the Fire  
Department were presented and allowed by  
the following vote: 6 Yeas; 0 Nays.

The Gamewell Company .....	1225.00
The Seagrave Corporation .....	390.00
Frank Starr .....	214.05
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. ....	186.78
Hacker-Lambertson Agency .....	151.46
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.01
Michigan Sheet Metal Works .....	65.74
The Seagrave Corporation .....	62.20
Jarvis Engineering Works .....	47.00
Consumers Power Co. ....	43.11
Bd. of Water & Elec. Lt. Com'rs.	36.51
Peez Oil Corporation .....	36.21
Vaughan Battery Service .....	34.81
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	32.91
Lansing Company .....	22.01
Addison Sponge Co. ....	21.01
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	20.81
Michigan School Service .....	18.01
Andridge & Gleason .....	16.21
Emanuel Starr .....	15.61
A. R. Foster .....	12.71
Superior Paint Co., Inc. ....	12.31
Lansing Directory Publishers Co. ....	12.01
Robinson Distributing Co. ....	8.31
Coven Electric Company .....	7.11
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	7.01
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	6.11
Capitol Radiator Repair .....	6.11
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	5.11
Capitol City Body Works .....	5.11
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	4.11
Hugo R. Delfs .....	3.11
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	3.11
Goodyear Service .....	3.11
Sanders & Newsom .....	2.11
H. G. Porter & Son .....	2.11
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	1.11
Vaughan Battery Service .....	1.11
Mine Safety Appliance Co. ....	1.11

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk

Lansing, Michigan,  
August 11, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Sept. 8, 1936

September 8, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved as printed.

### COMMUNICATIONS

Communication was received from D. J. Hackett, Superintendent of Michigan Central Railroad, expressing thanks for the assistance given by the Fire Department during the exhibition of the "Rexall Train" in Lansing on August 8, 1936.

Received and placed on file.

### APPLICATIONS

Applications for appointment as firemen were received from Robert Simmons and Victor Earl Space, and referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

By Com. Harris—

That the appointment of Robert Schaar as a fireman for the usual six months' probationary period, as recommended by the Chief of the Fire Department, be concurred in.

Carried.

By Com. Harris—

That the President of the Board call a special meeting of the Commission for the purpose of a hearing relative to charges against Sergeant Scavarda and Patrolman Sprague.

Carried.

President Milks set Monday evening, September 14th, for the above hearing date.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe. Co.	.....\$ 68
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	..... 32
Oscar C. Lenz	..... 25
Morden Oil Company	..... 19
Alfred Seymour	..... 15
Reo Sales Corporation	..... 11
Peerless Handcuff Co.	..... 6
Linn Camera Shop	..... 4
Dudley Paper Company	..... 3
Western Union Co.	..... 2
Kramer Company	..... 1
Lansing Laundry Co.	..... 1
Western Auto Supply Co.	..... 1
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	..... 1
A. W. Handy Co.	..... 1

The following claims against the Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays

The Seagrave Corporation	.....\$18
Michigan Bell Telephone	..... 10
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	..... 8
Hugo R. Delfs	..... 7
Consumers Power Company	..... 6
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	..... 5
Lansing Laundry	..... 4
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	..... 3
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light	..... 2
Fuller Brush Company	..... 1
Schaberg-Dietrich Hdwe.	..... 1
Scientific Brake Service	..... 1
Carrier-Stephens Co.	..... 1
Springsteen & Morley	..... 1
Elliott Grocer Company	..... 1
Air Reduction Sales Co.	..... 1
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	..... 1
Andridge-Gleason Hdwe.	..... 1
Capitol Radiator Repair	..... 1
Lansing Paint & Color Co.	..... 1
Hager Warehouse & Lumber Co.	..... 1
Socony-Vacuum Co.	..... 1
John Restau & Co.	..... 1
VanDervoort Hardware Co.	..... 1
The Rikerd Lumber Co.	..... 1
Lansing Supply Co.	..... 1
B. & M. Siren Co.	..... 1
Lansing Brass & Aluminum Foundry	..... 1
Whitmore Auto Electric	..... 1
Michigan Brass & Electric Co.	..... 1
Friedland Iron Metal Co.	..... 1
The Dunham Hardware Co.	..... 1
Paul Automotive Parts Co.	..... 1
Michigan Supply Co.	..... 1

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City C

Lansing, Michigan,  
September 8, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Sept. 14, 1936

September 14, 1936.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Commissioners Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The Board met in special session to consider charges preferred by the Chief of Police, Alfred Seymour, against Patrolman Neil Sprague and Sergeant Victor Scavarda.

The report of Chief Seymour follows:

August 27, 1936.

Honorable Board of Police and Fire Commissioners,  
Lansing, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Attached you will find statements of Valeta Hope, Patrolman Neil Sprague, and Sergeant Victor Scavarda, with regards to an occurrence of July 22nd, 1936.

Inasmuch as this was a capital crime carrying a penalty of any term of years up to and including life imprisonment, and in view of the fact that neither officer made any effort to apprehend the perpetrator of this crime, neither was any report made in order that others might apprehend him, is in my judgment a case of gross neglect of duty on the part of both officers, and I recommend to this board that some action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED SEYMOUR,  
Chief of Police.

Statements of Valeta Odette Hope, Patrolman Neil Sprague and Sergeant Victor Scavarda were received.

Sergeant Victor Scavarda appeared and was questioned relative to answering a call made by Patrolman Neil Sprague on the night of July 22nd, 1936, and was asked whether or not a report had been made to the desk regarding such call.

Patrolman Neil Sprague appeared and was questioned regarding his activities on the night of July 22nd, 1936.

Sergeant Charles Wibert was questioned relative to whether or not a report was made by Sergeant Scavarda of the call in question.

### MOTIONS

Motion made by Commissioner Harris and supported by Commissioner Dail, that Officer Sprague be deprived of his leave days for a period of three months and be reprimanded for error in judgment.

Yeas—Commissioners Carter, Dail, Gross, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.  
Nays—Commissioner Hammond.—1.

Motion made by Commissioner Hammond and supported by Commissioner Carter, that the charges against Sergeant Scavarda be dismissed.

Yeas—Commissioners Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris.—5.  
Nays—Commissioners Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—3.

Motion made and supported that it be the recommendation of this Board that outgoing radio calls be made a matter of record and that it shall be the duty of the officer on duty at the desk to see that they are cleared before he is relieved.

Carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
August 14, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Oct. 13, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

October 13, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Mr. Gross.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Reutter.—6.

Absent—Coms. Milks and Shotwell.—2.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. Alfred Seymour thanking the members of the Board for flowers sent to her.

Received and placed on file.

A communication was received from the Clerk of Delhi Township relative to a bill for services of the Fire Department in Delhi Township.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Chief of the Fire Department communicate with Delhi Township officials relative to services of the Lansing Department.

Carried.

### REPORTS

The report of Chief Seymour filed a financial report, Police Auto Report and consolidated report of activities of his during the month of September, 1936, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed a detailed report of finances and activities of the Fire Department, which was received and placed on file.

### APPOINTMENTS

By Com. Dail—

That the appointments of Firemen Ernest Kopietz and Cecil Hethorn serving probationary terms, be confirmed as regular firemen.

Carried.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Harris—

That the letter requesting an increase the compensation of the matron's salary be sent by Chief Seymour to the Board Supervisors.

Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That the insurance policy covering department automobiles be referred to Chief Seymour and Chief Delfs with power to act.

Carried.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were approved by the following vote:

Yeas—6. Nays—0.

Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	\$ 75
A. W. Handy Co. ....	35
Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	27
Alfred Seymour ....	17
Capital City Body Works ....	17
Reo Sales Corporation ....	8
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	7
Goodyear Service ....	6
Western Union Co. ....	5
Paramount News Stand ....	4
Robinson Auto Supply Co. ....	3
Offenhauer Radio Service ....	2

The following claims against the Fire Department were approved by the following vote:

Yeas—6. Nays—0.

Seagrave Corporation .....	\$550
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	282



Mine Safety Appliance Co. ....	153.23
The Gamewell Company .....	82.48
Friedland Iron & Metal Co. ....	54.88
James Brown, Supt. F. A. ....	50.00
Consumers Power Co. ....	49.57
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light Com. ....	46.78
Vaughan Battery Service .....	38.77
Vandervoort Hardware Co. ....	38.09
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.01
Hugo R. Delfs .....	39.63
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	34.10
J. M. Crosby .....	32.70
Lansing Paint & Color Co. ....	28.21
The Seagrave Corporation .....	19.50
Vandervoort Hardware Co. ....	19.27
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	12.19
Superior Paint Co. ....	15.59
Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Company, Jeffersonville, Ind. ....	9.26

Michigan Supply Co. ....	8.53
Springsteen & Morley .....	8.19
Vaughan Battery Service .....	6.50
Gregory, Mayer & Thom .....	4.64
Rudolf Bannasch .....	4.62
Air Reduction Sales Co. ....	6.43
Rikerd Lumber Co. ....	3.21
Michigan Brass & Electric Co. ....	2.94
Lansing Supply Co. ....	2.26
Lansing Supply Co. ....	1.62
Superior Paint Co., Inc. ....	1.48
Michigan Brass & Electric Co. ....	1.35
Gregory, Mayer & Thom .....	1.15

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,

City Clerk.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Nov. 10, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,  
November 10, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—7.  
Absent—Com. Harris.—1.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATION

A communication was received from A. E. Basso, General Yardmaster of the Grand Trunk Railroad Co. thanking the Fire Department for co-operating in handling the crowds on the occasion of the visits to Lansing of Governor Alfred Landon and President Roosevelt.

The communication was ordered placed on file and a copy posted on the bulletin board.

### APPLICATIONS

Clarence George Hansen and Joseph Fred Wurges filed applications for appointment to position as firemen, which were referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

### REPORTS

Chief Seymour filed Automobile Report, Financial Report and Consolidated Monthly Report, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs filed a report on finances and activities of the Fire Department for the month of October, 1936, which was received and placed on file.

Chief Delfs reported on plans being made by the Engineering Department for

a retaining wall and on the serious illness of Asst. Chief Redhed.

Chief Seymour filed reports on the complaint of Mr. Carl Soleska, which was made to the Board on October 13.

The report was received and placed on file.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That the time for reporting on retirement age for police and firemen be extended one month.

Carried.

By Com. Hammond—

That an opinion be secured from the City Attorney as to when payments from Firemen's and Policemen's pay into the retirement fund begins.

Carried.

### GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 yeas; 0 nays.

Wolverine Insurance Co.	\$208.
Michigan Bell Telephone Co.	58.
Cadillac Ribbon & Carbon Co.	36.
Carrier-Stephens Co.	29.
Lansing Oldsmobile Co.	23.
A. W. Handy Company	21.
Morden Oil Company	19.
Pauls Automotive Parts	10.
Emery-Pratt Co.	9.
Reo Sales Corporation	7.
Siebert's Printing Service	6.
Budd's Music House	6.
Lansing Laundry Co.	4.
Capital City Body Works	3.
Western Union Co.	3.
Whitmore Auto Electric Co.	2.
Paramount News Service	2.
General Distributing Corporation	1.
Postal Telegraph Co.	1.
Western Auto Supply Co.	1.



Hacker, King, Sherry Agency ..... .25

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 7 yeas; 0 nays.

Sacomy Vacuum Oil Co. ....	\$167.12
W. Knapp Company .....	143.10
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	106.31
Bd. of Water & Electric Light .....	98.76
Lansing Tent and Awning Co. ....	90.00
Motor Wheel Corporation .....	92.78
The Seagrave Corporation .....	85.00
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	74.30
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	43.44
Volverine Insurance Co. ....	42.38
Lansing Laundry .....	42.02
Line Safety Appliance Co. ....	41.20
Consumers Power Co. ....	38.77
Michigan Sponge Co. ....	30.48
Consumers Power Co. ....	29.45
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	22.50
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	22.05
Joseph Fitz .....	18.86
Scientific Brake Service .....	13.65
	12.77

Lansing Oldsmobile Service .....	12.57
Lansing Supply Co. ....	9.67
Superior Paint Co. ....	8.61
Stahl Hardware .....	7.94
The Seagrave Corporation .....	7.75
Hugo Delfs .....	7.54
Quality Print Shop .....	6.25
Capitol Electric Supply .....	5.45
Lansing Supply Co. ....	4.93
The Silver Lead Paint Co. ....	4.85
Michigan Supply Co. ....	3.28
Edington Rug Company .....	2.50
Capitol City Body Works .....	2.70
Offenhauer Radio Service .....	2.59
Michigan Supply Co. ....	2.26
Capitol Radiator Repair .....	2.00
Dunham Hardware Co. ....	1.96
General Distributing Co. ....	1.47
The Dudley Paper Co. ....	1.46
Goodyear Service .....	1.00

The Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
November 10, 1936.



# OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners OF THE CITY OF LANSING

## Proceedings Dec. 8, 1936

Lansing, Michigan,

December 8, 1936.

The Board met in regular session and was called to order by the President, Com. Milks.

### ROLL CALL

Present—Coms. Carter, Dail, Gross, Hammond, Harris, Milks, Reutter, Shotwell.—8.

Absent—None.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

### COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Attorney, Joseph W. Planck, giving opinion on the amendment to the City Charter providing for pensioning firemen and policemen, stating that deductions from pay would not begin until six months from the time of its adoption.

Received and placed on file.

A letter was received from the Merchants Association expressing appreciation for the co-operation of the Fire Department in placing Christmas decorations in the streets.

Received and placed on file.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Committee on Men and Discipline made an oral report suggesting that in case of promotions in the Police Department, examinations in writing be given and considered in connection with length of service and personality.

The Committee on Extension and Street Traffic reported that a meeting had been

held with the Ordinance Committee of the City Council relative to regulation of bicycles and that another meeting would be held and a report submitted thereafter.

The Committee on Men and Discipline reported on the illness of Fireman Russell Alger.

By Com. Hammond—

That the Committee on Men and Discipline be given power to act in the case of Russell Alger.

Carried.

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Chief Delfs filed reports on finances and activities of the Fire Department for the month of November, 1936.

Chief Seymour reported on finances of the Police Department, also Automobile and Consolidated report which were received and placed on file.

### APPLICATIONS

George A. Pulford applied for appointment as fireman, which was received and referred to the Chief of the Fire Department.

### RESOLUTIONS

By Com. Hammond—

That the proposition of a system for making promotions in the Police Department be referred to the Committee on Men and Discipline and Chief of Police to work out a plan whereby a written examination, length of service and personality be used in making promotions.

Carried.



## GENERAL ORDER

The following claims against the Police Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	\$ 58.15
Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	38.16
Reo Sales Corporation .....	26.83
National Safety Council .....	20.00
Whitmore Auto Electric .....	15.93
Weissinger Paper Co. ....	15.00
Alfred Seymour—Petty Cash .....	13.99
Dudley Paper Company .....	10.50
Lansing Laundry Co. ....	5.88
Capital Awning Company .....	5.00
Robinson Auto Supply Co. ....	2.61
W. T. Grant Stores .....	2.31
Barker-Fowler Electric Co. ....	2.30
Paramount News .....	2.19
Potal Telegraph Co. ....	1.06

The following claims against the Fire Department were presented and allowed by the following vote: 8 yeas; 0 nays.

The Gamewell Company .....	5000.00
Southern Wood Preserving Co. ....	300.20
Bd. of Water & Elec. Light Comrs. ....	226.42
Socony Vacuum Oil Co. ....	167.12
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. ....	107.03
Robinson Distributing Co. ....	84.00

Consumers Power Co. ....	40.50
Peez Oil Company .....	36.22
Lansing Laundry .....	31.35
VanDervoort Hardware Co. ....	20.28
Carrier-Stephens Co. ....	15.00
Reo Sales & Service Corp. ....	14.40
Lansing Oldsmobile Co. ....	13.00
The Seagrave Corporation .....	11.00
Lansing Supply Company .....	9.64
Dr. L. M. Snyder .....	8.00
Paul Automotive Parts .....	7.25
Air Reduction Sales .....	6.67
Elliott Grocer Co. ....	6.47
Hugo Delfs .....	5.36
Paul Automotive Parts Co. ....	4.51
Michigan Supply Company .....	4.11
Capitol Trimming & Painting Co. ....	3.90
Andridge & Gleason Hardware .....	3.87
The Rikerd Lumber Co. ....	3.61
Sun Oil Company .....	3.31
Capitol Electric Supply Co. ....	2.81
The Gamewell Company .....	2.21
The Seagrave Corporation .....	2.21
Scientific Brake Service .....	1.21

Board adjourned.

BERTHA RAY,  
City Clerk.

Lansing, Michigan,  
December 8, 1936.